

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraph 1 of page 2 of the specification as follows:

The present application is a Continuation-in-Part Application of ~~a presently co-pending application,~~ serial number 10/074,929, filed on 02/12/2002, now abandoned.

Please amend the Paragraph, beginning on Page 4, Line 15 and spanning to Page 8, line 16. Note that the only amendment to this lengthy paragraph is on Page 6, Line 18 correcting the misspelling of "also". The paragraph should be amended as follows:

To attain this, the present invention essentially comprises a door locking system for providing the user with a pick-proof lock. The locking system comprising several components in combination. First provided is a structure having a door jamb to receive a door therein. The door jamb has a recess therein. Next provided is a door. The door has an outside surface with a lock hole of a first diameter and an inside surface with a lock hole of a first diameter. The door has a passageway there through between the outside surface lock hole and the inside surface lock hole for the passageway of a locking mechanism. The door has an edge surface located between the outside surface and the inside surface. The edge is positionable against the door

jamb in which the door is mounted. Next provided is a bolt receiving plate having a bolt aperture there through. The bolt hole is configured to receive and cooperate with the bolt aperture of the door jamb. The plate is configured to be mounted on a recipient door jamb. The bolt receiving plate has a plurality of screw mounting holes there in. Next provided is a lock having an internal lock housing and an external lock housing and a bolt operating mechanism there between. The external lock housing has a round tapered exterior configuration. The housing has an innermost portion and an outer portion. The innermost portion has a centrally located round tubular protrusion with a passageway there through and a round flat contacting surface. The protrusion is configured to be received by the lock hole in the outer surface of the door and to be contained there in. The round flat contacting surface of the inner portion is configured to abut the outside surface of the door. The external lock housing has an internal tumbler mechanism and a rotatable key receiving shaft located therein. The key shaft has an interior end facing the inside of the door and an exterior end. The key shaft has a centrally located rectilinear aperture running there through, within, and coaxial with the key shaft. The internal lock housing of the lock has a round tapered exterior configuration. The housing has an innermost portion and an outer portion. The innermost portion has a centrally located round

tubular protrusion with a lock handle shaft passageway there through and a round flat contacting surface. The protrusion is configured to be received by the lock hole in the inner surface of the door and to be contained there in. The round flat contacting surface is configured to abut the inside surface of the door. The internal lock housing has a stepped rotating door handle shaft having a door end with a rectilinear recess and a handle end having a flattened handle receiving tip. The shaft has three exterior dimensions. The first dimension is located within the housing on the door end and the second dimension is located between the door end and handle end of the shaft. The third dimension is located on the handle end of the shaft. The first dimension is greater than the second dimension, and the second dimension is greater than the third dimension. The handle shaft is limitedly movable in an axial back and forth direction by a user. The handle shaft is ~~[[also]]~~ also rotatable in a plane perpendicular to the axial movement of the shaft. The handle shaft is aligned with and contained within the lock handle shaft passageway. Next provided is a handle being coupled to the handle shaft. Next provided is a pinion subassembly. The pinion subassembly comprises an engagement plate, a biasing spring, a pinion gear, and a gear shield. The engagement plate has a flat stepped configuration with an outer end and a gear end and a spring portion there between. The outer end has a squared flat

end having a fourth dimension with a downwardly projecting rectilinear tooth having a fifth dimension. The spring portion has a spring nest there in, for receiving and holding a biasing spring therein. The biasing spring urges the plate in an outwardly direction toward the outer surface of the door. The gear end of the engagement plate has a downwardly projecting rectilinear tooth having a fifth dimension and a squared flat inner end. The pinion gear has an outer portion and an inner portion with a toothed portion there between. The pinion gear has a round hole having a fourth dimension there through. The outer portion of the pinion gear has a vertical slot sized to accommodate a fifth dimension cut there into, with the slot sized to engage the downwardly projecting rectilinear tooth of the gear end of the engagement plate. The inner portion of the pinion gear has two slots, each slot perpendicular to the other. One inner portion pinion gear slot is deeper than the other inner portion pinion gear slot. Both pinion gear slots have a fifth dimension. The subassembly gear shield has a round slot cut there into and the gear shield has a hole there through. The hole has a diameter the size of the fifth dimension. The shield has a plurality of screw holes there through and is coupled to the innermost portion of the external lock housing. Next provided is a bolt. The bolt comprises a shaft with a generally rounded cross sectional shape. The bolt has a flat slotted area

having a plurality of pairs of gear engagement recesses there into. The gear engagement recesses are sized to receive and accommodate the toothed portion of the pinion gear. The bolt is slidably mounted in the door and configured to laterally slide between an unlocked orientation, with the bolt being totally within the door, and a locked orientation, wherein the bolt extends from the door edge and engages the bolt receiving plate in the door jamb. Lastly provided is a handle plate. The handle plate has a flat rectilinear configuration with a fifth dimension. The handle plate is sized to be accepted by and accommodated by, and slidable within, the rectilinear recess of the handle shaft of the internal lock housing. The handle plate has a protruding tooth, said tooth protruding toward, and coaxial with, the key shaft of the external lock housing.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on Page 14, Line 9 of the application as follows:

Next provided is a lock having an internal lock housing 42 and an external lock housing 30 and a bolt operating mechanism there between. The external lock housing has a round tapered exterior configuration. The housing has an innermost portion and an outer portion. The innermost portion has a centrally located round tubular protrusion 31 with a passageway there through and a round flat ~~contacting surface~~ contacting surface 37. The

protrusion is configured to be received by the lock hole in the outer surface of the door and to be contained there in. The round flat ~~contacting surface~~ contacting surface 37 of the inner portion is configured to abut the outside surface of the door. The external lock housing has an internal tumbler mechanism (not shown) and a rotatable key receiving ~~shaft 31~~ shaft (not shown) located therein. The key shaft has an interior end facing the inside of the door and an exterior end. The key shaft has a centrally located rectilinear aperture 32 running there through, within, and coaxial with the key shaft.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on Page 18, Line 3 as follows:

The pinion subassembly functions in the following way. A user inserts his or her key into the key aperture. The passage of the key causes the key to directly push against the engagement plate. The key not only allows the tumblers to move, but the pushing of the key against the engagement plate causes the plate to move inwardly, against the bias of the nested spring. The engagement plate is located within the pinion gear. The advancement of the plate causes the downwardly projecting tooth 54 to engage the slot 59 in the pinion gear, allowing the gear to turn and move the bolt into a locked or unlocked position. When the key is removed, the engagement plate is once again biased

toward the outside of the door and the tooth disengages from the slot of the gear, preventing the gear from moving the bolt. Without the proper key, the gear cannot be engaged and the bolt cannot be moved.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at Page 16, Line 13 as follows:

In an alternate embodiment as shown in Figure 10, the handle shaft may have an associated stop-pin 104 to engage the handle and prevent rotation. The pin is coupled to the rotating door handle shaft 46. The door handle shaft having at least one detent 110 therein. The pin having a protuberance 106 to couple the pin to the handle shaft detent. In this configuration, there is a biasing spring 108 coupled to the pin.